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## Father Sentenced to Life in Prison For Throwing Young Daughter Off Cliff

A father convicted of throwing his 4-year-old daughter off a 120-foot cliff was sentenced today to life in prison without the possibility of parole for her murder 15 years ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Cameron John Brown, 53, was sentenced today following his conviction in May of the first-degree murder of Lauren Sarene Key. Jurors also found true the special circumstances of murder for financial gain and lying in wait to be true.

Deputy District Attorney Craig Hum with the Major Crimes Division prosecuted the case.

Hum told the jury in closing arguments that Brown threw the child off Inspiration Point in Rancho Palos Verdes on Nov. 8, 2000, for revenge because he hated the girl's mother and he was tired of paying child support.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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### About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.